Elliot Epstein

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EDUCATION

Stanford University Stanford, California

Ph.D. in Computational and Mathematical Engineering

Jul. 2022 – Jun. 2026 Sep. 2021 – Jun. 2026

Master of Science in Computational and Mathematical Engineering (GPA: 4.10/4.30)

Coursework: Numerical Linear Algebra, Reinforcement Learning, Natural Language Processing, Optimization, Discrete Mathematics and Algorithms, Numerical and Theoretical PDEs, Stochastic Methods, Computer Systems, Theory of Statistics I-II, Probabilistic Graphical Models, Launchpad, Stanford Ignite

University of Oxford Oxford, United Kingdom

Master of Science in Mathematical and Computational Finance

Sep. 2020 – Jul. 2021

KTH Royal Institute of Technology

Stockholm, Sweden

Bachelor of Science in Engineering Physics (GPA: 4.94/5.00)

Aug. 2017 – Aug. 2020

Exchange Student at the Department of Mathematics at ETH Zurich from Sep. 2019 to Aug. 2020

Thesis: "A Review of the Article Gradient Descent Provably Optimizes Over-parametrized Neural Networks"

WORK EXPERIENCE

Google Sunnyvale, California & Seattle, Washington

PhD Software Engineering Intern, Gemini Jun. 2024 - Sep. 2024

Outcome: Research paper "MMMT-IF: A Challenging Multimodal Multi-Turn Instruction Following Benchmark"

Student Researcher Oct. 2023 - Jan. 2024 Software Engineering Intern Jun. 2023 - Sep. 2023

Worked on an LLM-based chatbot for enterprise solutions

Stanford University Stanford, California

Research Assistant Sep. 2022 – Apr. 2023

Long sequence modeling with Prof. Christopher Re in the Stanford AI Lab

Research Assistant Apr. 2022 - Sep. 2022

Machine learning to solve PDEs in Prof. Eric Darve's lab

EDF Trading London, United Kingdom

Intern, Quant and Data Group

Apr. 2021 – Aug. 2021

Developed a model in Python to predict the direction of the next trade of day ahead gas futures with 70 percent accuracy using LOB data and an ensemble of LSTM networks trained on a cloud GPU cluster

Stockholm, Sweden Karolinska Institute

Aug. 2019 - Apr. 2021 Research Assistant

Developed a deep learning model to differentiate benign from malignant ovarian tumors, with specificity and sensitivity on par with an expert ultrasound examiner

SERVICE

Stanford University Stanford, California

2022 - 2024Course Assistant

Applied Data Science (CME 218): Mentoring graduate students working on machine learning projects

- Partial Differential Equations (MATH 220)
- Machine Learning (CS 229): Supervised learning (deep learning), unsupervised learning, reinforcement learning
- Financial Risk Analytics (MS&E 246): Statistics and machine learning applied to credit markets
- Investment Science (MS&E 245A, MS&E 245B)

Admissions Committee: Stanford MS in Data Science

2024

International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR)

Reviewer 2024, 2025

PUBLICATIONS

Elliot L. Epstein, Kaisheng Yao, Jing Li, Xinyi Bai, and Hamid Palangi. MMMT-IF: A Challenging Multimodal Multi-Turn Instruction Following Benchmark

In Statistical Foundations of LLMs and Foundation Models workshop at NeurIPS, 2024

Elliot L. Epstein*, Daniel Y. Fu*, Eric Nguyen, Armin W. Thomas, Michael Zhang, Tri Dao, Atri Rudra, and Christopher Re. Simple Hardware-Efficient Long Convolutions for Sequence Modeling

In ICML: Fortieth International Conference On Machine Learning, July 2023

In Mathematical and Empirical Understanding of Foundation Models workshop at ICLR, 2023

F Christiansen, E L Epstein, E Smedberg, M Åkerlund, K Smith, E Epstein. Ultrasound image analysis using deep neural networks for discriminating between benign and malignant ovarian tumors: comparison with expert subjective assessment In Ultrasound Obstet Gynecol, 2021

Proficient in: Python (NumPy, PyTorch, Jax, TensorFlow, LangChain, pandas, Flask), Linux, LaTeX Experienced in: C++, C, MATLAB, Git, Bloomberg Terminal, GCP, Assembly, AWS, Docker, R